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INVESTIGATIONS

The Legislature has started out on an investigating tour, and purposes finding out what is being done with the public funds, and has taken up the reports of Inspector Goodpastor that have heretofore been made to the Governor.

All of this is well. Mr. Goodpastor is an officer of the Commonwealth, and his office was established for the benefit of the Commonwealth and all of its tax payers and he should not be hindered in his investigations, but should be encouraged. The resolution to censure him was foolish and was properly voted down.

The various institutions belonging to the state are officered by men who owe a duty to it, and their conduct of these institutions should be a subject of investigation annually. It is not supposed for a moment that there is any corrupt or wrongful conduct going on in any of them. However, man is not infallible and the investigation of their conduct of affairs is beneficial to them and beneficial to the state alike. Men can commit errors and yet exercise their highest intelligence and the strictest integrity, and an investigation of the methods which they are pursuing, may result in the suggestion to them of methods that are better than the ones they are employing.

A man may be ever so intelligent and ever so honest and yet may employ business methods that are ruinous. When investigated and attention called to it and a better plan suggested by men of equal integrity, honesty and capability, it should be hailed with delight and not be treated either as an assault nor an insult.

For the Eastern Normal School we have heretofore expressed our high commendation of the same as an institution and also our entire confidence in the intelligence, integrity and honesty of its board of regents, officers and faculty. We can say nothing more than we have already said. We are happy also to know that this institution does not shrink from an investigation of its affairs but on the contrary has invited such investigation, and we believe that this institution will readily adopt any plan which the intelligence of the Legislature may show to them is a better plan than the one that they are employing.

The committee on the investigation of this concern has recommended the sale of the farm used in connection with the school. We know nothing about farming nor the necessity of teaching farm methods in the school, but we have always been impressed with the idea that a farmer boy is as much entitled to be taught the best methods of farming along the latest and most improved ideas of farming as are other boys who expect to teach or practice law, medicine or to engage in avocations calling for special technical preparation. Teaching should be extended further than mere "reading, writing and ciphering."

The farmer boy is the bone

and sinew of our civilization and the farm is the basis of our wealth, and he should be taught, and well taught, how to pursue his avocation. If the ownership of a farm is not necessary for his purpose, then let it be sold. However, this farm is no expense to the state, and we see no good sense in doing away with something that may be of incalculable good to the citizenship of the state when it costs the State nothing to keep it. It has been urged that farming is not taught in the public schools and for that reason it is not necessary to give teachers instruction in this line. Then add rudimentary farming to the school course and let the farmer boys be scientifically trained.

If the Legislature will devote its time to real abuses and tear them out, root and branch, it will accomplish much good for the state of Kentucky.

We have pointed out from time to time where thousands and thousands of dollars could be saved to the treasury by rooting out unnecessary and unconstitutional offices. But when it tackles the entrenchment of officialdom, it tackles something as well fortified as Gibraltar. The office holding class hold annual conventions, not for the purpose of improving the service of the departments, but for the purpose of entrenching themselves and making their offices secure and creating additional offices and increasing the cost of all offices maintained by the fee system, and increasing the salaries of all officers who are paid salaries. They work in a delightful harmony and the result is that the cost of government has very greatly increased with no increase whatever in efficiency of service.

Let the Legislature investigate this and after it investigates it, let it do something for the relief of the overburdened tax payer.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS

An immense quantity of tobacco has been brought to this city and sold on the local brakes in the last few weeks. Richmond has never seen anything like it before. It is a great industry and the energetic manner in which the tobacco houses are handling the situation, gives promise of making Richmond one of the greatest tobacco centers in the State. Madison county has very fine tobacco lands, and the strenuous competition between the several houses will cause every foot of ground that can be utilized for tobacco to be drafted into service.

Richmond is now one of the largest tobacco markets and wholesale districts in Eastern Kentucky and with its fine Normal School, the Female school, the city schools, together with Berea College and the High schools at Kirksville, Waco and Union City, Madison county is in a position to invite people who are desirous of securing good homes where work can be obtained and their children educated to locate here. The man who cries out against our industries and our schools, works an injury to the community.

NOTHING NEW

Ex-President Taft proposes that an attack made on an alien by a mob should be made a felony. Mr. Taft claims that aliens have not proper protection in the South and West.

A more intimate knowledge of the laws of the South and the West on the part of Mr. Taft would speedily convince him of his error. There are ample laws to protect life and property in every state of the union.

The bill proposed by him adds nothing, for laws against conspiracies are on the Statute books of every state of the Union. It is the non-enforcement of the law in both the North and the South which is the trouble.

Read our Combination offers

In Cincinnati an ordinance has been introduced in the council requiring lamps to be placed on baby carriages.—Exchange.
Why not also a honk, honk?

The fish ponds have appeared on the side walks again. This for the information of our Mayor.

New brooms sweep clean. Our city and county officers should take notice and be up and doing.

Oh the dust, the beautiful dust, the dust that will not down— (then they shot our poet.)

Our inimitable Governor will be with Beckham and Stanley at the final cat fight.

This is the season of Bread Line and Pie Counter constituents.

Why all this silence about the diaphanous skirt?

More Folly

The following bill has been introduced in both Houses of the General Assembly. The bill applies only to the whites.

"No County Clerk shall issue a marriage license unless there is filed with him at the time the certificate of a reputable physician residing and practicing in the county, stating that he has within the ten days next preceding the day the license is applied for, made a careful physical examination of the male and found him free from any communicable or transmissible disease, or explained to the female in person the extent to which the male is affected and the probable effect thereof upon herself and the offspring of the marriage."

New R. F. D. Route

A rural route has been established in Madison county beginning at Red House, thence down to Boonesborough, then by the old dirt road back by Shearer Station to the point of beginning. This route is about fifteen miles long, and will accommodate a large number of people. It is called Star Route No. 1.

For Young Married People

Try to be satisfied to commence on a small scale.
Try to avoid the too common mistakes of making an effort to begin where "the parents ended."
Try not to look at richer homes and covet their costly furniture.
Try buying only that which is necessary to work with skillfully, while adorning the house at first with simply what will render it comfortable.
Try being perfectly independent from the first, and shun debt in all forms.
Try to cultivate the moral courage that will resist the arrogance of fashion.

Why Is It?

You can call a girl a kitten and she is tickled to death, but call her a cat and she will pull your hair. Likewise, call a man a gay dog and he will buy a drink, but call him a puppy, and he will fight on the spot.

Was Here Once

Our old friend J. Adam Bede has turned up again with his stone-age theories. J. Adam is one of the most curious survivals from an almost extinct species.—Chicago Post.

Audience Pays To Hear Him

The applause Secretary Bryan can win whenever he appears before an audience may tend to neutralize the criticism leveled at him in his absence.—Washington Star.

Why Doesn't He Revise the Calendar

The twenty-ninth of February seems to be the only day Mr. Huerta has not designated as a bank holiday.—New York American.

Marriage License

Charlie Hurley to Nettie Durham, January 20, 1914, Dreyfus, Ky.

Wm. H. Elliott, to Emma P. Bush, Richmond, Ky. January 21, 1914.

Real Estate Transfers

Commissioner to James Johnson, 24a, Division. Mary Lee Cotton to S. D. Sanders, 60a, \$5,750. Jere Chenault to W. Cosley, 10a, \$350. Ed Grant to Jim Lamb, 6a, \$435. Commissioner to W. S. Brock, 39a, \$2039. H. P. Barclay to W. H. Lewis, 80a, \$400. Commissioner to H. P. Barclay, 52a, \$203. W. S. Bush to J. A. Vanarsdall, 39a, \$3000. Jere S. Noland to Lizzie Cornelson, 46-100a, \$36.80. John L. Halcomb to Madison county, 1a, \$200. K. D. Noland to Noel Noland, 1/2 interest in 42a, \$350. Joseph C. Oldham to L. & N. Railroad Co., 7-10a, \$175. C. F. Chenault to L. & N. Railroad Co. 94-100a, \$235. J. C. James to A. E. Short, —a, \$1200. John Hisle & Co to John W. Hisle Jr., \$6000. Commissioner to Mrs. H. M. Penneman 71a, \$3000. C. W. White to Madison county, 1-4a, \$1.00. John F. Lackey to Thos. J. Black & Co. 59-100 —. Thos. J. Black to John F. Lackey 48a, \$1.00. Chas. T. Curtis to Joe Hagan, 12a, \$150. O. D. Todd Heirs to J. W. Hord & Co, 100a, \$4550. O. C. Crooke to Margaret D. Crooke, 39a, \$1600. Jas. J. Shepherd to Al Weaver, 24a, \$300. Robt. B. Goins to Albert Goins, 3a, \$918. Cobb, Walker & Eads to M. D. Brewer, 10a, \$1.00. Mattie G. Bales to Jas. M. Powell, 41a, \$1466.50. Hettie Jones to Thomas Kindred, 16a, \$200. Mary B. Gabbard to Oscar Andrew 24a, Exchange. Commissioner to Leslie T. Bradshaw, 25a, \$8510. Odie Winkler to Ova Tate, —a, \$300.

TOWN LOTS

John D. White to Pawlee Bal-
lew, Richmond \$225.
Johnson Tribble to Seinth
Thomas, Richmond \$650.
J. D. Dykes to E. S. Jouett
Richmond \$4000.
W. T. Vaughn to L. & N. Rail-
road Co. Richmond \$1050.
Berea Real Estate Co., to A. E.
Short, Berea, \$250.
Geo. Selkirk to Jake Walker,
Richmond, \$1000.
W. T. Clift to John Fowler,
Richmond, \$200.
L. P. Evans to M. A. Lynn,
Richmond, \$1.00.
Irvine Roberts & Co. to E. B.
Warford, Kingston \$1000.
R. Cox Reeves to H. R. War-
ford, Richmond, \$1.00.
Berea Real Estate Co. to A. W.
Titus, Berea \$250.

Desperate Negro

At Lexington last Saturday morning, Joseph Smith, a twenty-two year old negro went into Joe Rosenberg's and asked to look at a revolver. The clerk handed him a 38 calibre Colt's pistol and the negro coolly took a round of cartridges out of his pocket and loaded the weapon, then he told the clerk that he was going to kill him and fired but missed. He then backed out of the store and ran through the streets. The police station was notified to look out for the desperado. Chief Reagan was the first to encounter him and they began firing at each other. The chief was wounded in the forearm. Soon two other policemen arrived on the scene and began firing at the negro, who was badly wounded and captured. His wounds will not prove fatal and it is thought that he will be able to leave the hospital in a few days.

A dispute over the discharge of two employees by the Delaware and Hudson railway lead to a strike which has tied up the entire operating end of the system. About 5,000 men it is estimated are out. Only shop workers and office employees remain on duty. Reinstatement of the discharged employees with full back pay is the only condition that the union demanded.

Gen. Bounier, a French aviator, flying from Paris to Cairo, stopped over in Jerusalem, giving the inhabitants their first sight of a flying machine.

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Good News For Teachers

For the first time in twenty years the State School fund this year will be disbursed among the counties and cities as it falls due. The last installment of some \$491,000 will become due February 1, and Assistant Treasurer Robert G. Philips said that checks would be sent out that day.

Moved to Town

Mr. T. J. McGuire has moved his family to town and taken the cottage on Lancaster Avenue owned by Mrs. George White. We are always glad to welcome good, substantial citizens into our community.

TAX NOTICE

Your county tax is now due. Call and pay same before the penalty is added.

D. A. McCORD,

37-11 Sheriff.

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